DEEP C.A.R.E Winter Fishing Classes

Via ZOOM

<u>Ice fishing</u> is a great way to get outside during the cold winter months and enjoy some fresh air, get some exercise and maybe even catch a fresh fish dinner!

The CT DEEP Fisheries Division Connecticut Aquatic Resources Education (CARE) program is offering virtual Learn to Ice Fish classes via ZOOM. Safety on the ice, how to dress for the cold, where to go, ice fishing equipment, baits, techniques and tactics will be covered during the ZOOM class. Experts will be available to answer all your ice fishing questions. All classes start at 6:00 PM:



January 14th (*Thursday*)
January 26th (*Tuesday*)
February 10th (*Wednesday*)

January 20th (*Wednesday*)
February 1st (*Monday*)
February 16th (*Tuesday*)



To register, fill out this <u>form</u> and you will receive an email from <u>justin.wiggins@ct.gov</u> with your ZOOM meeting credentials a week prior to the class.

All participants will be invited to register for an instructor lead ice fishing trip (pending safe ice) following completion of the ZOOM class. Ice fishing trips are limited to the first 20 people who register.

You will be emailed an invitation with dates and details after the ZOOM class.

The CARE Program is proud of their hands-on, student-centered approach to fishing instruction. They seek to give students of all backgrounds the skills, knowledge and encouragement needed to become successful anglers.

Fishing fosters a unique connection with nature, leading CARE students to appreciate and advocate for Connecticut's natural resources.

Prior to the class, check out their learn to fish video <u>webpage</u> where their videos cover a variety of topics from how to tie a knot to the inside scoop on pan-fishing.

In the meantime, fishing is a healthy way to enjoy some fresh air and solitude while practicing social distancing.

During this time of social distancing, fishing should be enjoyed as a solitary experience or with members of your immediate household, not as a group activity.